

Welcome!



19 April, 2016



Palisades Neighborhood Community Center



Agenda:

- *introduction of the team*
- *goals for the evening*
- *project history / efforts to-date*
- *review of the process*
- *visioning sessions*
- *summary review*
- *next steps*
- *questions*

Introductions:

District of Columbia

- Marshella Wallace
- Toni Thompson
- Jackie Stanley
- Shahrokh Ghahramani
- Michael Alvino

Community Planner: DPR

Chief of Community Recreation Division: DPR

Community Outreach Coordinator: DGS

Project Manager: DGS

Trail Specialist: DDOT

Construction

- Reeve Johnson
- Sayanora Aguilera

Senior Project Manager: MCN Build

Project Manager: MCN Build

Design Team

- Bill Spack
- Don Gregory
- Annie Varma

*Principal : **cox graae + spack** architects*

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Associate : Lee and Associates

Goals for the evening :



*What would I like to see
at the new Palisades
Rec Center ?*

- 1. How did we get here ?*
- 2. Community thoughts and ideas*
- 3. The path forward and next steps*



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- *In 2013, the City approved funding for planning a modernized Palisades Community Center as a part of the Capital Improvement Plan*



Current Facility Spaces :

- *Multipurpose Room*
- *Game Room*
- *Computer Room*
- *Admin Office*

Current Outdoor Amenities :

- *Basketball Court*
- *Skateboard Park*
- *Soccer Field*
- *Softball Field*
- *Playground*
- *Tennis Courts*
- *Parksite*

History :

- *In February 2016, DC hired **MCN Build Inc** and **cox graae + spack** architects as a Design/Build Team to participate in community discussions, develop design alternatives and associated cost estimates related to improving and adding to the Palisades Community Center program facilities and outdoor amenities. The approved design alternate will be further developed, detailed and constructed.*

*Great !
so where do we start ?*

at the beginning...

Every Project Starts with 2 Elements :

1 a NEED *What does the City Need ?
What does the Community Need ?
What do the Users need ?
What else ?*

2 a SITE *Where will the building be
constructed ?*

at the beginning...





OK, we have a SITE...





So what do we NEED ?



1 a NEED : A Need is defined by a PROGRAM

- List of Spaces
- Size of Spaces
- Special Considerations





*Great !
So we have a SITE and we basically
have a Program*



Visioning !

What now ???!!



Visioning !

An opportunity to share your thoughts about :

The BUILDING

The SITE

The SCHEDULE and OPERATIONS

What now ???!!



Visioning !

- *there will be **3** break-out areas*
- *choose any of the four areas to start*
- *each break-out session will last for **15** minutes*
- *at the end of 15 minutes, please rotate to another area*
- *The **GOAL** is to have every community member participate at each of the three break-out areas*

Visioning !

At each area you will be asked to share your thoughts about one of three questions

City Staff and the Design Team will be present to:

- ***Listen***
- ***Facilitate discussion***
- ***Document thoughts and observations***

Visioning !

Questions to consider :

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How can the new Center positively impact the community and Visa Versa ?

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HOW long will it take ?

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Visioning !

*There will also be **Observation Slips** at each area*

Please share what you believe to be the most important consideration we need to understand regarding the questions at each break-out area

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VISIONING SESSION

OBSERVATION SLIP

Please share the one most important thing the Design Build Team should keep in-mind related to the following question:

What types of spaces and uses should be accommodated on the SITE and TRAIL ?

Visioning !

This is what I think...



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*OK, I have a **SITE** and I'm working
on a **PROGRAM***



*I have some **Community** feedback*

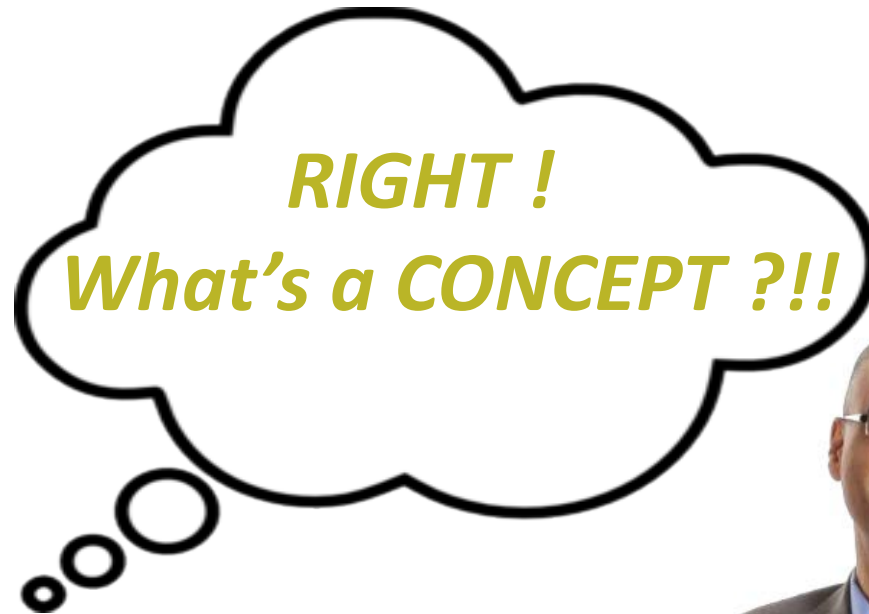


NOW WHAT ??



*You need a **CONCEPT***





con•cept *noun*

- a abstract idea
- a plan or intention
- an invention
- for **Architects** : initial organization and sketch plans

A concept IS NOT a finished design or a detailed plan – that comes later

Next Steps :

- *develop the program*
- *explore concept alternatives
for the building
for the site*
- *inform the community of the designs*
- *encourage community participation during
the final design process*

Questions ?

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Palisades Recreation Center Project Webpage

<http://dgs.dc.gov/page/palisades-recreation-center-project>

Thanks !!

